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# **Red Cross makes the right call**

# Statement of Alderman Khalif J. Rainey **January 3, 2018**

I am pleased to learn of the announcement today by the Milwaukee office of the American Red Cross that it is rescinding its decision to stop on-site volunteer response to house fires in 10 Milwaukee ZIP codes – including the 53206 ZIP code (and 53216, 53209, 53210, and 53218) in the 7<sup>th</sup> Aldermanic District.

The Red Cross realized the disrespectful and poor message being sent by turning its back on thousands of Milwaukee families and residents, and rightly changed course.

Again, the Red Cross made the right call by reversing its decision and I want to extend my proper thanks to those who joined the strong chorus of outraged voices when the original decision first came to light. Our persistence was rewarded today with the announcement from the Red Cross.



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